

# FISCAL NOTE

## SJR 629

February 29, 2000

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Proposes to amend Article VI, Section 14 of the Tennessee Constitution to authorize the Tennessee General Assembly to define and regulate civil penalties and set the maximum amounts thereof, and states that any such civil penalty shall not be considered a fine. This resolution, if passed, would be referred to the 102nd General Assembly where it would need two-thirds vote in each house to force an election by the voters of the state. This resolution shall be published by the Secretary of State in accordance with Article XI, Section 3, of the Constitution of Tennessee.

### ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

#### **Increase State Expenditures - \$20,000 One-Time**

Assumes a cost of \$20,000 due to printing of a notice of the proposed amendment in certain newspapers as required by this resolution. This cost is based on the cost of recent publications.

*For information purposes, the following should be noted: to the extent civil penalties are established at amounts greater than the current level, a significant change in revenues may occur.*

### CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James A. Davenport". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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